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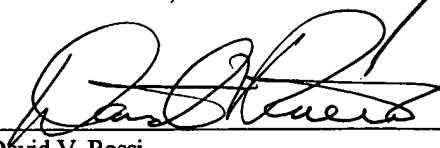
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Sir:

Further to Applicant's Response to Election Requirement mailed on January 6, 1999, which was submitted in response to an Official Action dated December 7, 1998, and supplemental to Applicant's Preliminary Amendment mailed September 14, 1998, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

In the Official Action dated December 7, 1998, the Examiner renumbered claims 42-111 of the Preliminary Amendment as claims 36-105. Accordingly, the following claims comport with the Examiner's renumbering.

36. (Amended) A polarizing [element] device comprising:  
a transparent plate[,] which has a polarizing beam splitting surface on one surface  
and a reflection surface on the other surface, wherein light is incident on said one surface to be  
split into reflected light and transmitted light by said polarizing beam splitting surface so that the  
transmitted light is directed to said reflection surface and the transmitted light is caused to